



SC Annual School
Report Card
Summary

Willow Drive Elementary School
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Grades: PK-5 Enrollment: 637
Principal: Liz Compton
Superintendent: J. Frank Baker
Board Chair: E. Keith Schultz

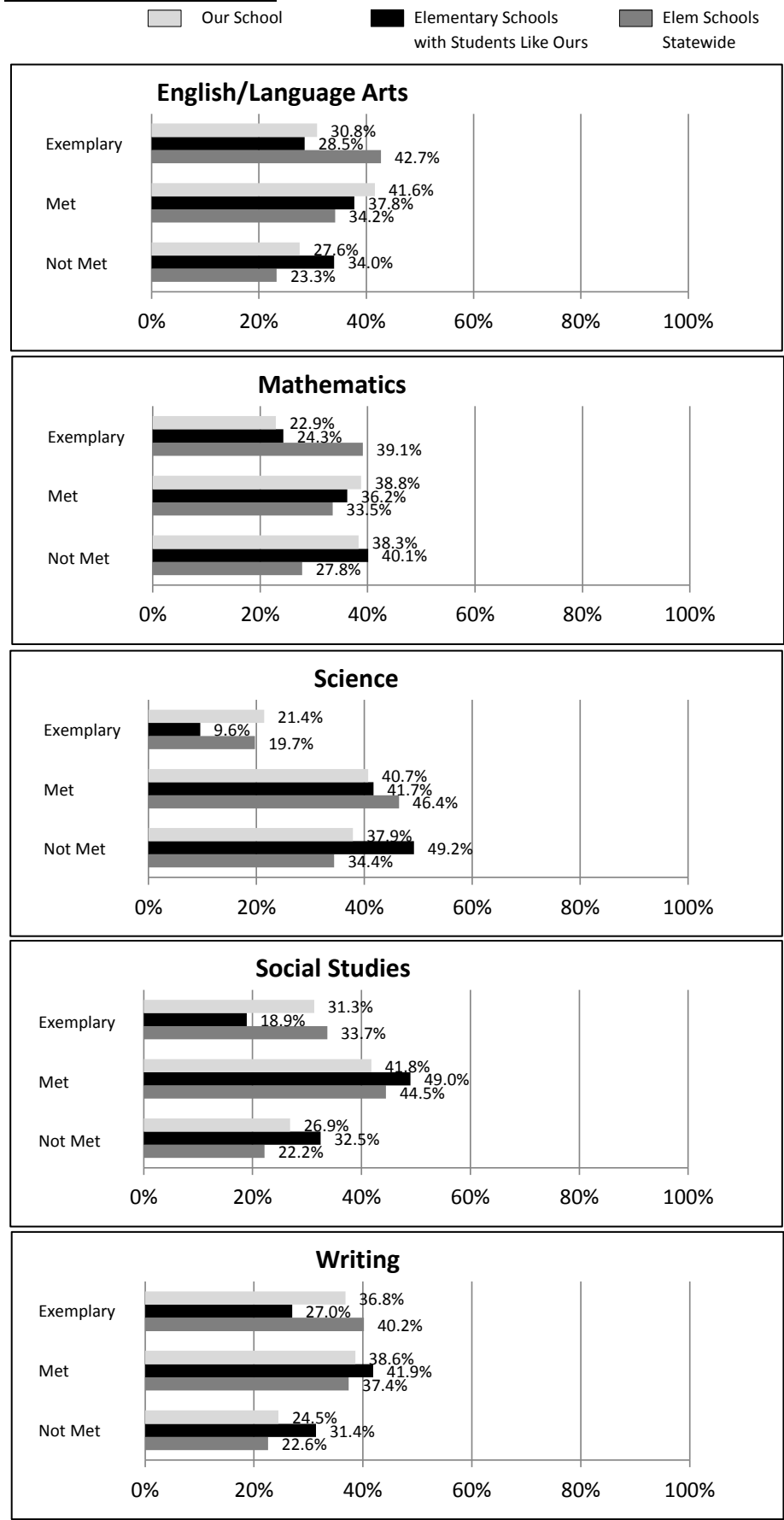
PERFORMANCE		Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.				
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2014	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	C	N/A
2013	Average	Good	SILVER	N/A	B	Reward
2012	Average	Average	N/A	N/A	B	Reward

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
4	12	128	41	12

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 04/27/2015. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

SC PASS PERFORMANCE



NAEP*

*Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary Schools
Students (n = 637)				
Retention rate	5.0%	Up from 3.8%	1.6%	1.0%
Attendance rate	97.1%	Up from 95.4%	96.0%	96.5%
Served by gifted and talented program	4.1%	Up from 3.6%	3.4%	7.3%
With disabilities	14.7%	Up from 12.5%	13.8%	12.5%
Older than usual for grade	5.8%	Up from 4.4%	2.7%	1.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n = 39)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	51.3%	Down from 57.1%	60.3%	62.3%
Continuing contract teachers	76.9%	Down from 82.9%	75.8%	81.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	80.3%	Down from 85.8%	84.5%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.2%	Down from 97.3%	95.2%	95.3%
Average teacher salary*	\$46,540	Down 3.0%	\$46,165	\$47,902
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 19.5%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	11.8 days	Up from 10.3 days	10.7 days	10.9 days
School				
Principal's years at school	2.0	Up from 1.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	23.1 to 1	Up from 21.5 to 1	18.7 to 1	19.9 to 1
Prime instructional time	91.6%	Down from 92.5%	90.4%	90.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Fair	Down from Good	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	99.7%	No change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$5,625	Down 4.6%	\$8,195	\$7,680
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.7%	Down from 67.0%	65.8%	66.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	66.0%	No change	64.9%	66.0%
ESEA composite index score	73.9	Down from 89.2	73.4	85.7

* Length of contract = 185+ days.
**Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	38	73	43
Percent satisfied with learning environment	97.4%	84.9%	79.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	94.7%	83.3%	83.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	59.4%	85.0%	75.7%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Willow Drive Elementary is one of the few neighborhood schools nestled in the heart of Sumter County. Many of our students reside within walking distance to the school. We strive to create a safe and welcoming atmosphere for our students, parents, and community members. A variety of parent involvement opportunities are implemented throughout the school year. Teachers work collaboratively with parents to ensure that all children have an optimal learning experience.

Willow Drive School serves primarily a lower income population with about 92% of our students qualifying for free or reduced priced meals. We also have a rather transient population as approximately 25% of our students transfer on a yearly basis. In spite of these challenges, we have been fortunate to experience significant improvement in our goals of increasing student achievement and improving student discipline. Our test scores on the PASS earned our school the honor of the Palmetto Silver Award. The criteria address improvement of performance in the historically underachieving subgroups, which are minority students, free/reduced price meals students, and students with non-speech disabilities. Teachers, students, faculty, parents, and community members were very excited to receive the award for the 2012-2013 school year. Some of the steps that were taken to accomplish this include correlating our curriculum with the state standards, participation in on-going professional development, Response to Intervention K-5, small group tutoring, the Technology Lab, and a variety of parent involvement activities. We also involve our students in community service projects such as canned food drive for Christian Charities and United Ministries, Pennies for Patients, Relay for Life, and Shower Shaw with cookies. The faculty and staff are dedicated to the mission of educating all children to their highest potential.

Liz Compton, Principal Mrs.Karen Buffalo, SIC Chairperson

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